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NPIC/PEG (1/83)Copy 28**ARMS TRANSSHIPMENT ACTIVITY
TANGGU PORT FACILITIES HSIN-CHIANG, CHINA**

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1. (SWN) SIGNIFICANCE: TANKS, POSSIBLY FOR IRAQ, ARE BEING TRANSSHIPPED FROM TANGGU. TANGGU PORT FACILITIES HSIN-CHIANG, IN NORTHEAST CHINA, MAY BE THE SECOND CHINESE PORT INVOLVED IN THE ARMS TRANSSHIPMENT TRADE.

2. (SWN) REMARKS: AT LEAST 30 TANKS HAVE BEEN DELIVERED TO THE PORT [REDACTED] 20 ARE STILL ON THE FLATBED RAILCARS WHICH TRANSPORTED THEM TO THE PORT, AT LEAST TEN ARE ON THE QUAY BESIDE A CHINESE CHI FENG KOU-CLASS ROLL-ON/ROLL-OFF (RO/RO) MERSHIP, AND ONE IS BEING LOADED. THE TANKS ARE PROBABLY FROM BAOTOU ARMORED VEHICLE PLANT 617 [REDACTED] ALSO IN NORTHEAST CHINA. [REDACTED] FLATBED RAILCARS WERE IN THE RAIL CLASSIFICATION YARD 1 NM WEST OF THE ARMORED VEHICLE PLANT LOADED WITH 38 CANVAS-COVERED TANKS. THE YARD WAS IMAGED AGAIN TODAY, AND THE TRAIN HAS DEPARTED.

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(SWN) MAJOR TRANSSHIPPING OF ARMS HAS NOT BEEN OBSERVED THROUGH TANGGU BEFORE. LARGE ARMS SHIPMENTS, INCLUDING TANKS FROM BAOTOU, ROUTINELY DEPART FROM CHIKAN PORT FACILITIES [REDACTED] IN SOUTH CHINA. THE CHINESE PREVIOUSLY HAVE SHIPPED TANKS TO QADIMAH PORT FACILITIES [REDACTED] SAUDI ARABIA FOR OVERLAND DELIVERY TO IRAQ. COLLATERAL REPORTS HAVE SUGGESTED AN ASSOCIATION BETWEEN CHI FENG KOU-CLASS MERSHIPS OPERATING OUT OF TANGGU PORT FACILITIES AND QADIMAH PORT FACILITIES.

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3. [REDACTED] COORDINATES 38-59-05N 117-44-48E

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